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TOPIC 1. 2d Infantry Regiment in Litomerice

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2d Inf Regt.

1. [REDACTED] the 2d Jirihoz Podebrad Inf Regt in Litomerice (Leitmeritz) (N 51/F 53) was subordinate to a division headquarters which was located in the large building of the former corps headquarters north of the market square. The regimental headquarters and two battalions were quartered in the former Reserve (Infantry) Barracks at the eastern exit of the town, which is bordered by ul. Karla IV former Trnovan Street and former Weinberg Street. The total occupation of the barracks installation was believed to be about 2,000 troops. According to source, further battalions of the regiment were stationed in Liberec (Reichenberg) (O 51/G 16) and C. Lipa (Boehm. Leipa) (O 51/F 75). *

2. Rifles, submachine guns and two heavy machine guns on two-wheel carts, towed behind each company, were observed with elements of the regiment which marched singing to the drill ground south of Litomerice nearly every day. Three to four light tanks were seen in the barracks installation area in the summer of 1950. The tanks were 3 or 4 meters long, had a dark green coat of paint and a revolving turret mounting a gun of about 75 mm and which was about 60 cm in length.

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SNB Unit.

3. [REDACTED] an SNB unit of about 300 troops was stationed in the four-story building, about 100 meters long, of the former secondary school north of the market square and the post office of Litomerice. The SNB men were between 25 and 50 years old. Courses involving about 100 SNB men each were held in the same building and lasted about three months. The SNB men wore green uniforms with red epaulets and caps with a red band. They were armed with submachine guns, and had an unidentified number of sedans and trucks. Their duties included the guarding of important installations, traffic control etc. Prior to 1948, the unit had been quartered in the Catholic college for priests which has been vacant ever since.

Miscellaneous.

4. According to source, another large barracks installation, called the Artillery Barracks, was situated on the southwest side of the road from Litomerice to Kamyk (Kamaik) (N 51/F 43). The installation consisted of 5 barracks buildings, 1 mess building, 2 horse stables, 1 storehouse and 1 large riding course. Until 1946, the installation was occupied by artillery. Source was not able to make observations

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during the following years. **

5. In 1946, the building of the former division headquarters and three civilian houses in the northern sector of Litomerice, south of the upper railroad station, were occupied by an engineer unit of about 250 troops. The identity of the occupants of these buildings in October 1950 was unknown. A school with a gymnasium just east of the Artillery Barracks, which had housed soldiers in 1946, was used as a school again in 1950.

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* [REDACTED] The 2d Inf Regt, which was last identified in Litomerice in May 1949, is confirmed there until October 1950. It is subordinate to the 12th Inf Div. No battalion of the regiment was previously reported from Liberec, but the 2d Inf Regt has been identified there.

25X1A ** [REDACTED] The barracks installation is possibly still occupied by an artillery unit, since the 3d Arty Regt was previously identified in the same installation.

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